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INVENTOR: Ulrich WIEDEMANN
TITLE: BOTTLING PLANT AND METHOD OF OPERATING A
BOTTLING PLANT AND A BOTTLING PLANT WITH
SECTIONS FOR STABILIZING THE BOTTLED PRODUCT

Greensburg, Pennsylvania 15601

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

February 1, 2002

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Sir:

Please find enclosed herewith the following documents
relating to the above-cited case:

- 1) a Response to Notice of Incomplete Reply
(Nonprovisional);
- 2) a copy of the Notice of Incomplete Reply
(Nonprovisional);
- 3) 33 sheets of Substitute drawings;
- 4) a Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time;;
- 5) a check in the amount of \$110.00 representing a one-
month extension of time fee;
- 6) the envelope in which the Notice of
Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) was mailed from the
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; and
- 7) a stamped, self-addressed postcard, return of which is
requested to acknowledge receipt of the enclosed
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

Sir:

The original due date for the Response to Notice to file Missing Parts in the above-cited application was Saturday, December 1, 2001. A response was timely filed on Monday, December 3, 2001. However, the response was deemed to be incomplete. A Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) was subsequently mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 18, 2001, a copy of which notice is enclosed herewith.

The Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) required Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.84. Thirty-three sheets of Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.84 are herewith submitted.

Please note that the Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) was received in our office on January 14, 2002, approximately one month after the Notice was mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 18, 2001. We examined the envelope in which the Notice was mailed, and discovered that the envelope had no postage, thereby resulting in the excessive delay in delivery. The original envelope is enclosed herewith to evidence the lack of postage.

Because of this excessive delay in delivery, the due date for response had entered into a second month of extension by the time the Notice was received. It is respectfully submitted that had the proper amount of postage been placed on the envelope, our office would have received the Notice with sufficient time to file a response before the expiration of the one-month extension

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of time on January 1, 2002.

In view of the above, Applicant requests that the fee for the extension of time for the second month only be waived due to the fact that the delivery of the Notice was delayed, thereby preventing the Applicant from filing a response before the expiration of the one-month extension of time on January 1, 2002. Applicant is enclosing a check for \$110.00, for only the one-month extension of time fee since such fee would have been required regardless of when the Notice was received.

If mailed, I, the person signing this certification below, hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on the date indicated in the certification of mailing on the transmittal letter sent herewith, or if facsimile transmitted, I, the person signing this certification below, hereby certify that this paper is being facsimile transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office on the date indicated in the certification of facsimile transmission on the transmittal letter which is being facsimile transmitted herewith.

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NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

Filing Date Granted

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 12/10/2001 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 10/01/2001 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - Numbers, letters, and reference characters must measure at least 0.32 cm (1/8 inch) in height.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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